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THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, ICEMAN, ANGEL AND BEAST--WERE DISPLACED IN TIME AND BROUGHT TO OUR PRESENT. UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THEIR FORMER ARCHENEMY AND NOW ALLY, MAGNETO, AND JOINED BY JIMMY HUDSON, THE SON OF A WOLVERINE FROM AN ALTERNATE UNIVERSE, THEY WILL SHOW THE WORLD THAT THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

PREVIOUSLY IN *X-MEN BLUE*...

THE X-MEN MUST DEAL WITH THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR MOST RECENT MISSION--INCLUDING A NEW PERMANENT PSYCHIC CONNECTION FORGED BETWEEN JEAN AND SCOTT, AND THE ADDITION OF DANGER, POLARIS AND BRIAR RALEIGH TO THEIR RANKS AS TEACHERS. JIMMY CONTINUES TO SETTLE IN, DESPITE NOT KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT HIS OWN PAST EXCEPT FOR A MYSTERIOUS LINK WITH THE VILLAIN MISS SINISTER.

BUT BEAST IS STRUGGLING WITH CHANGES THE MOST--TRAPPED IN A TIME WHERE SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENTS HAVE OUTPACED HIM, HANK McCOY HAS INSTEAD DEVOTED HIMSELF TO THE DARK ARTS...

TOIL AND TROUBLE

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MARVEL GIRL
JEAN GREY



CYCLOPS
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ANGEL
WARREN WORTHINGTON III



BEAST
HANK McCOY



ICEMAN
BOBBY DRAKE



JIMMY HUDSON

LOWTOWN, MADRIPOOR.

DO YOU...

...WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT?

WHEN WE FIRST MET...

...YOUR POWERS...THEY MADE ME FEEL THINGS...

...MADE ME DOUBT MYSELF...

I REGRET THAT.

GAZING NIGHTSHADE.

IT'S ALL RIGHT. IT'S NOTHING NEW.

SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE...IN THIS TIME...I'VE KNOWN NOTHING BUT DOUBT.

FORGET MUTANT ABILITIES.

I'VE ALWAYS CONSIDERED MY MIND TO BE THE THING THAT SET ME APART FROM EVERYONE ELSE.

I WAS MORE THAN "THE BOUNCING BRUTE" BECAUSE I COULD OUTTHINK ALMOST ANYONE.

YOU PRESENT ME WITH A PROBLEM, I COME UP WITH A SOLUTION.

YOU SHOW ME A BIT OF TECHNOLOGY, I ADOPT IT.

BUT SINCE WE CAME TO THIS TIME...I CAN'T SEEM TO CATCH UP.

I UNDERSTAND PLENTY...MORE THAN THE AVERAGE PERSON, I SUPPOSE...BUT I STILL FEEL LOST...LIKE I'VE HIT SOME SORT OF COGNITIVE BRICK WALL.

AND SO I LOOK TOWARD OTHER AVENUES TO SET ME APART.



I HAVE ONLY KNOWN YOU A SHORT TIME, HENRY, SO FORGIVE ME IF I AM SPEAKING OUT OF TURN.

BUT WHEN IT COMES TO COPING WITH A CRISIS OF FAITH...

...YOU ARE NOT AS SMART AS YOU WOULD LIKE TO THINK.



THAT'S NOT A NICE THING TO SAY CONSIDERING MY--

WHEN I LOOKED INTO YOUR EYES...INTO YOUR HEART AND MIND...I COULD FEEL WHAT YOU WERE FEELING.

AND IT WAS NOT DOUBT.

IT WAS GUILT...FOR THE THINGS YOU HAVE DONE...

...AND FOR THE SECRETS YOU KEEP FROM YOUR FRIENDS.



YOU'RE RIGHT, OF COURSE. I WISH I COULD SAY OTHERWISE.

THE OTHER X-MEN WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT I'VE DONE. THEY WOULDN'T APPROVE.

I DON'T LIKE IT MYSELF.

BUT I CAN'T TURN BACK NOW.



"I'M TOO CLOSE TO UNDERSTANDING SOMETHING...TO UNLOCKING SECRETS...THAT CAN MAKE ME IMPORTANT AGAIN."



I'M NOT SO SURE I LIKE YOUR LITTLE GIRLFRIEND, HENRY.



ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME NOW?



I DON'T LIKE HOW SHE'S IMPLYING THAT I'M A BAD INFLUENCE ON YOU.

SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOU.

AND--FOR THE RECORD-- YOU ARE A BAD INFLUENCE ON ME.

BUT YOU ARE ALSO-- UNFORTUNATELY-- NECESSARY.



IT'S GOOD TO BE NEEDED, I SUPPOSE.

AND YOU, HENRY--



--YOU
NEED ME,
OH SO
MUCH...

...WHETHER
YOU WANT TO
ADMIT IT OR
NOT.

**THE GOBLIN
QUEEN.**

AFTER ALL, I CAN
HELP YOU BECOME
THE MAN YOU WANT
TO BE.

WELL,
WHY DIDN'T
YOU SAY
SO?

IF IT'S THAT EASY, I'D REALLY
LIKE IMMENSE WEALTH AND
A LIFE OF NOT GETTING
PUMMELED BY KILLER ROBOTS
ON A REGULAR
BASIS.

OF COURSE,
I'D LIKE TO
KEEP MY CHISELED
MOVIE STAR
LOOKS.

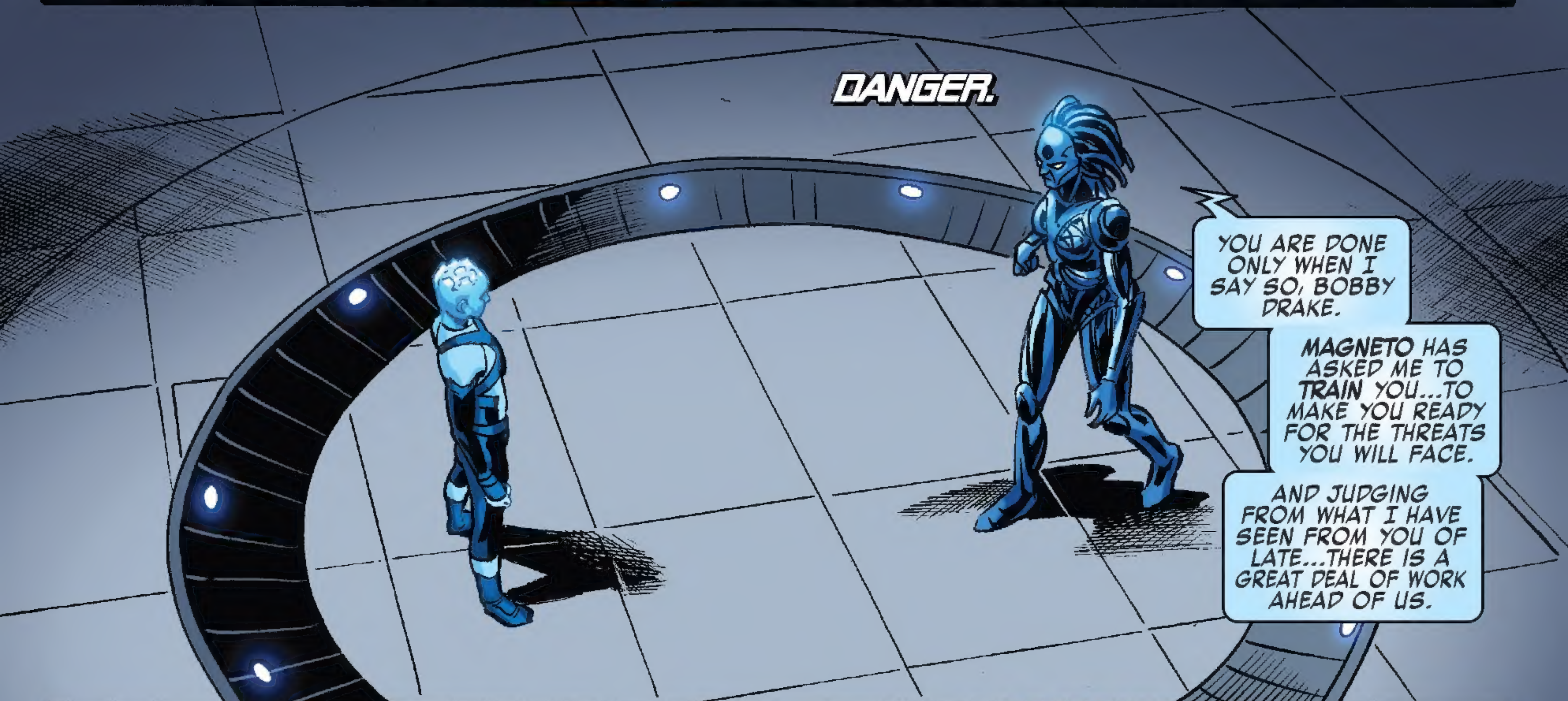
I'M GLAD YOU HAVEN'T
LET THE DRUDGERY
OF THIS WORLD STRIP
ALL YOUR SENSE OF
HUMOR AWAY,
HENRY.

IT WILL
HELP, I
PROMISE.

IT WILL
HELP YOU COPE
WITH THE LESSONS
I HAVE IN
STORE.

"NOW...LET'S GO
HOME, YOU AND I.

"WE HAVE SO
MUCH WORK
TO DO."





YOU
ASKED FOR
IT, LADY!

YES.

YOUR POWERS
ARE EXPANDING.
YOUR STRENGTH
IS GROWING.

BUT YOU ARE
DISTRACTED.

AND THAT
MAKES YOU
WEAK.

THAT
MAKES YOU A
LIABILITY.



UH--

YOU WORRY
MORE ABOUT SOME
BOY WHO IS NOT
RETURNING YOUR
CALLS...

...AN
INHUMAN
BOY...

...THAN YOU
DO ABOUT YOUR
WELL-BEING AND
THAT OF YOUR
TEAMMATES.



YOU CAN'T
TALK TO ME
THAT WAY!

YOU
CAN'T TALK
ABOUT ROMEO
THAT WAY!

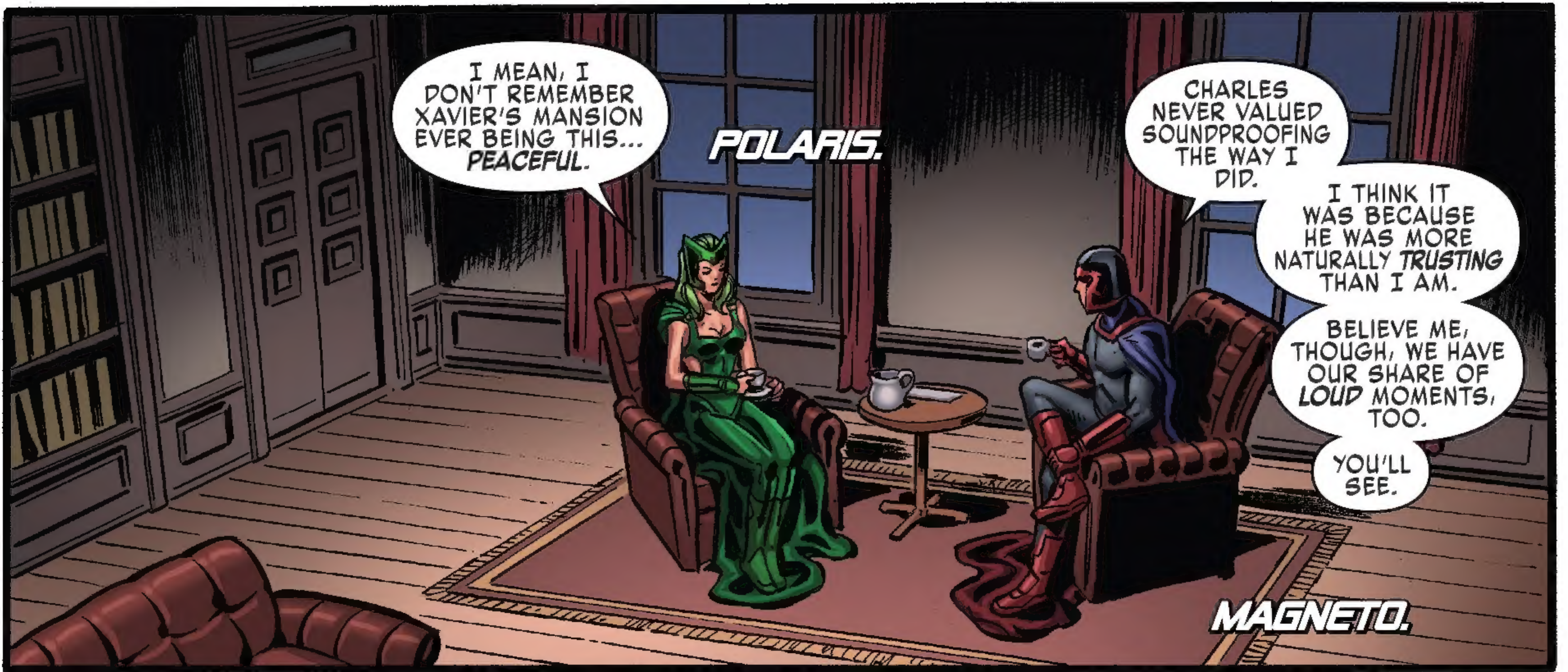
MAYBE THE
OTHER ICEMAN
WOULD LET YOU GET
AWAY WITH THAT,
BUT NOT ME!



THAT'S
BETTER.

BUT WE
ARE NOT
DONE YET.

"IS IT
ALWAYS SO
QUIET?"



I MEAN, I DON'T REMEMBER XAVIER'S MANSION EVER BEING THIS... PEACEFUL.

POLARIS.

CHARLES NEVER VALUED SOUNDPROOFING THE WAY I DID.

I THINK IT WAS BECAUSE HE WAS MORE NATURALLY TRUSTING THAN I AM.

BELIEVE ME, THOUGH, WE HAVE OUR SHARE OF LOUD MOMENTS, TOO.

YOU'LL SEE.

MAGNETO.



I'LL SEE.
YOU MEAN IF I DECIDE TO STAY.



I THOUGHT YOU HAD ALREADY MADE UP YOUR MIND, LORNA.



HONESTLY, DAD?
I'M STILL NOT SURE I CAN TRUST YOU.
I DON'T KNOW WHY THE YOUNG X-MEN TRUST YOU.



YOU WOULD HAVE INSTALLED SOUNDPROOFING IN THE X-MANSION, TOO.



AND THAT IS WHY I NEED YOUR HELP.

I DON'T WANT A THOUGHTLESS FOLLOWER.

I DON'T WANT A BROTHERHOOD OF EVIL MUTANTS.

I WANT SOMEONE TO HELP ME GUIDE THESE CHILDREN.



YEAH. DEALING WITH KIDS ISN'T YOUR STRONG SUIT.



THE WHITE QUEEN... BASTION... MS. SINISTER. OUR ENEMIES ARE NUMEROUS.

REFUGEES FROM ANOTHER UNIVERSE WALK AMONG US.

AND WE ARE GETTING REPORTS OF SUDDEN **SECONDARY** MUTATIONS MANIFESTING AMONG A NUMBER OF MUTANTS.



YOU'RE AFRAID IT'S ALL GOING TO SPIN OUT OF YOUR CONTROL.

IT HAS ALREADY DONE SO.

AND I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE STEPS I MIGHT TAKE TO REGAIN SOME SENSE OF ORDER.



I WANT SOMEONE TO **CHALLENGE** MY STRATEGIES.



WELL, IN THAT RESPECT, DAD...

...I'M YOUR GIRL.

THE MANSION GARDENS.

SO...
YOU CAN HEAR
MY THOUGHTS
NOW, JEAN?

TECHNICALLY,
SCOTT, I COULD
ALWAYS HEAR YOUR
THOUGHTS.

YOU
KNOW, IF
I WANTED
TO.

THIS IS
DIFFERENT.

YEAH.

SOMETHING
CHANGED WHEN
I TRIED TO FREE
YOU FROM THE
WHITE QUEEN.

WE FORMED
SOME SORT
OF PERMANENT
PSYCHIC
RAPPORT.

YOU'RE
ALWAYS IN
MY HEAD.

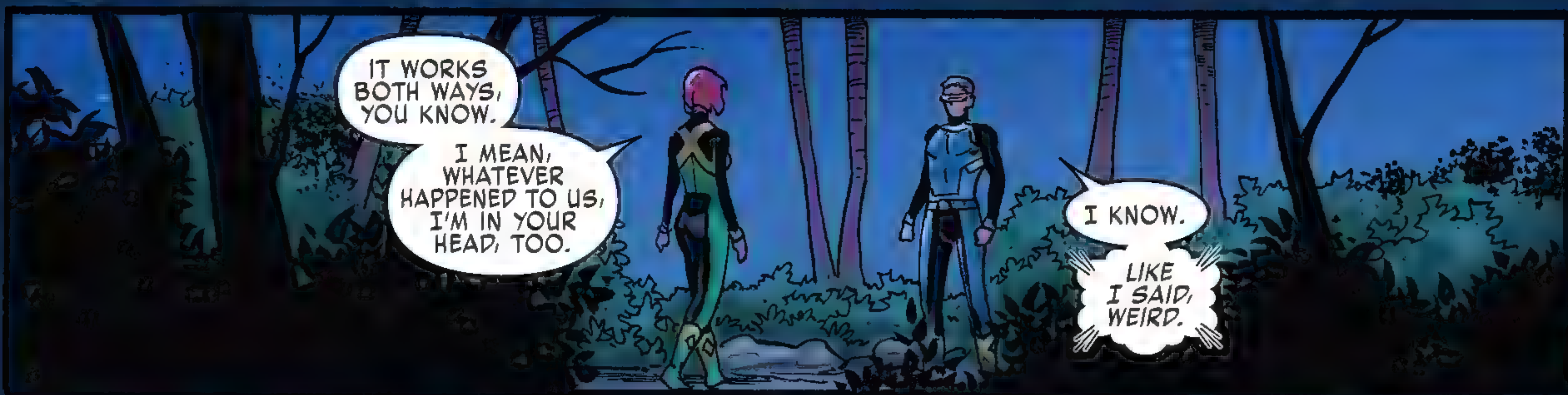
THAT'S
KINDA WHAT
PERMANENT
MEANS.

ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT WITH
THAT?

IT'S WEIRD,
I'M NOT
GONNA LIE.

JEAN--
YOU'RE
MY BEST
FRIEND.

BUT
THERE ARE
THINGS I WOULD
NEVER TELL
YOU.



"--HE'S NOT
HERE RIGHT
NOW."

YOU ALL
RIGHT,
JIMMY?

I KNOW THIS
ISN'T THE MOST
COMFORTABLE
WAY TO TRAVEL.

**ARROW RIDGE,
COLORADO.**

I'M
FINE.

I JUST
APPRECIATE
YOU COMING
WITH ME.

DON'T GET
SENTIMENTAL.

I NEEDED
SOME TIME
AWAY FROM THE
OTHERS.

I NEEDED
TO CLEAR
MY HEAD.

UH-HUH.

IT'S ALL
RIGHT, YOU
KNOW.

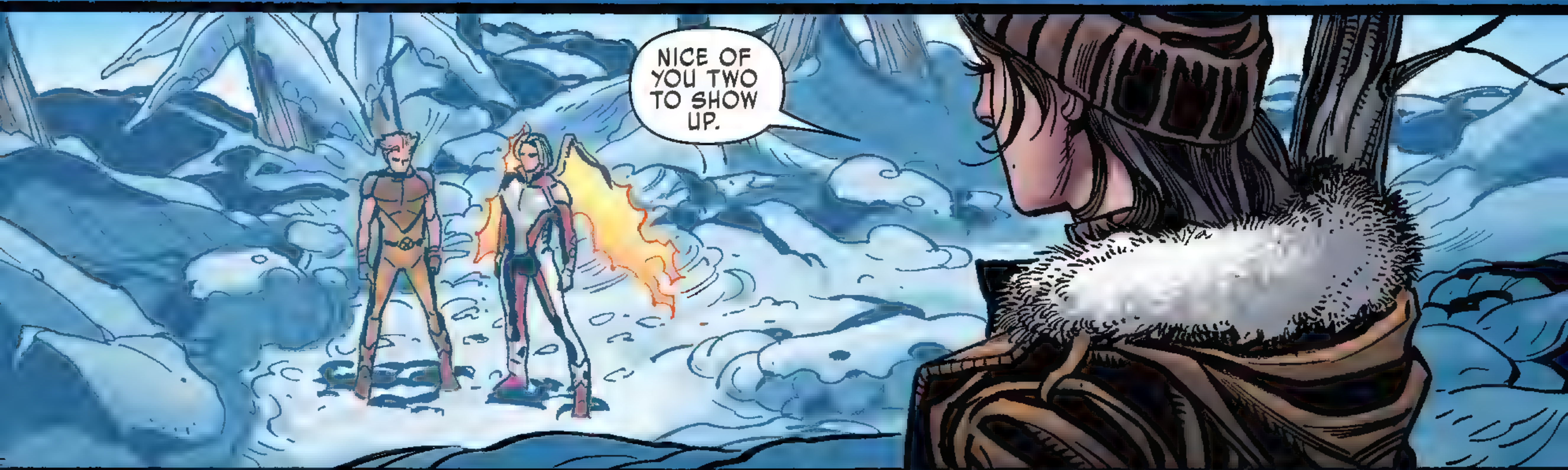
IT'S ALL
RIGHT THAT
YOU DON'T
TRUST ME,
WARREN.

TRUST'S
GOT NOTHING
TO DO WITH
IT.

I DON'T
KNOW YOU ANY
BETTER THAN
YOU KNOW
YOURSELF.

AND--
JUST LIKE YOU--
I'D LIKE TO FIGURE
OUT WHERE YOU
CAME FROM AND
HOW YOU GOT
HERE.

PLUS, I
GUESS I'VE
GOT A SOFT
SPOT FOR
WOLVERINES.



NICE OF YOU TWO TO SHOW UP.



IF I HAD KNOWN IT WOULD TAKE YOU SO LONG, I WOULD HAVE BROUGHT AN EXTRA THERMOS OF COFFEE.

KIRA LEE.



WE'RE JUST GLAD YOU AGREED TO MEET US, SHERIFF.

IT MEANS A LOT TO MY FRIEND THAT YOU'D BE WILLING TO HELP US.

AND ME, I'M JUST GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

WOW.

YOU NEVER STOP, DO YOU?



LOOK, I DON'T UNDERSTAND MUCH ABOUT MUTANTS OR OTHER WORLDS...

...BUT I KNOW THAT SOMETHING STRANGE IS HAPPENING AND IT'S JUST A LITTLE TOO CLOSE TO HOME FOR MY TASTE.

AND I'VE GOT A FEELING THAT FIGURING OUT WHERE YOU CAME FROM IS A STEP IN FIGURING OUT EVERY ASPECT OF THIS LITTLE MYSTERY.



LUCKY FOR YOU, I THINK I KNOW WHERE TO START LOOKING.



YOU'RE DOING WELL, HENRY.

YOU ARE AN EXCELLENT STUDENT, ADAPTING TO MY LESSONS WITH EASE. WE STAND AT THE VISTA OF SOMETHING AMAZING.

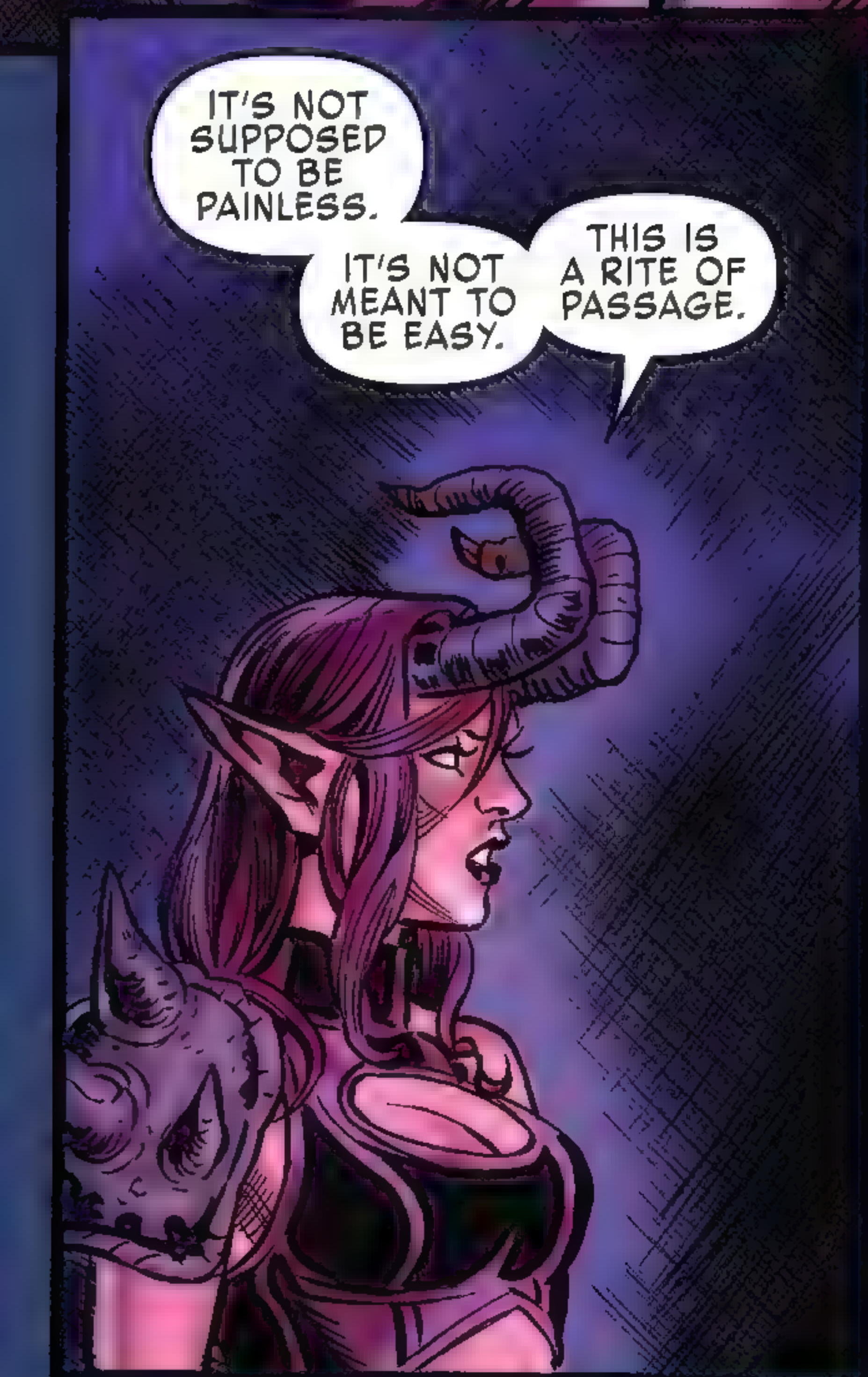
ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED THIS RITUAL, YOU WILL HAVE MOVED INTO A GREATER REALM OF UNDERSTANDING.



I...I DON'T THINK I CAN.

IT'S TOO MUCH.

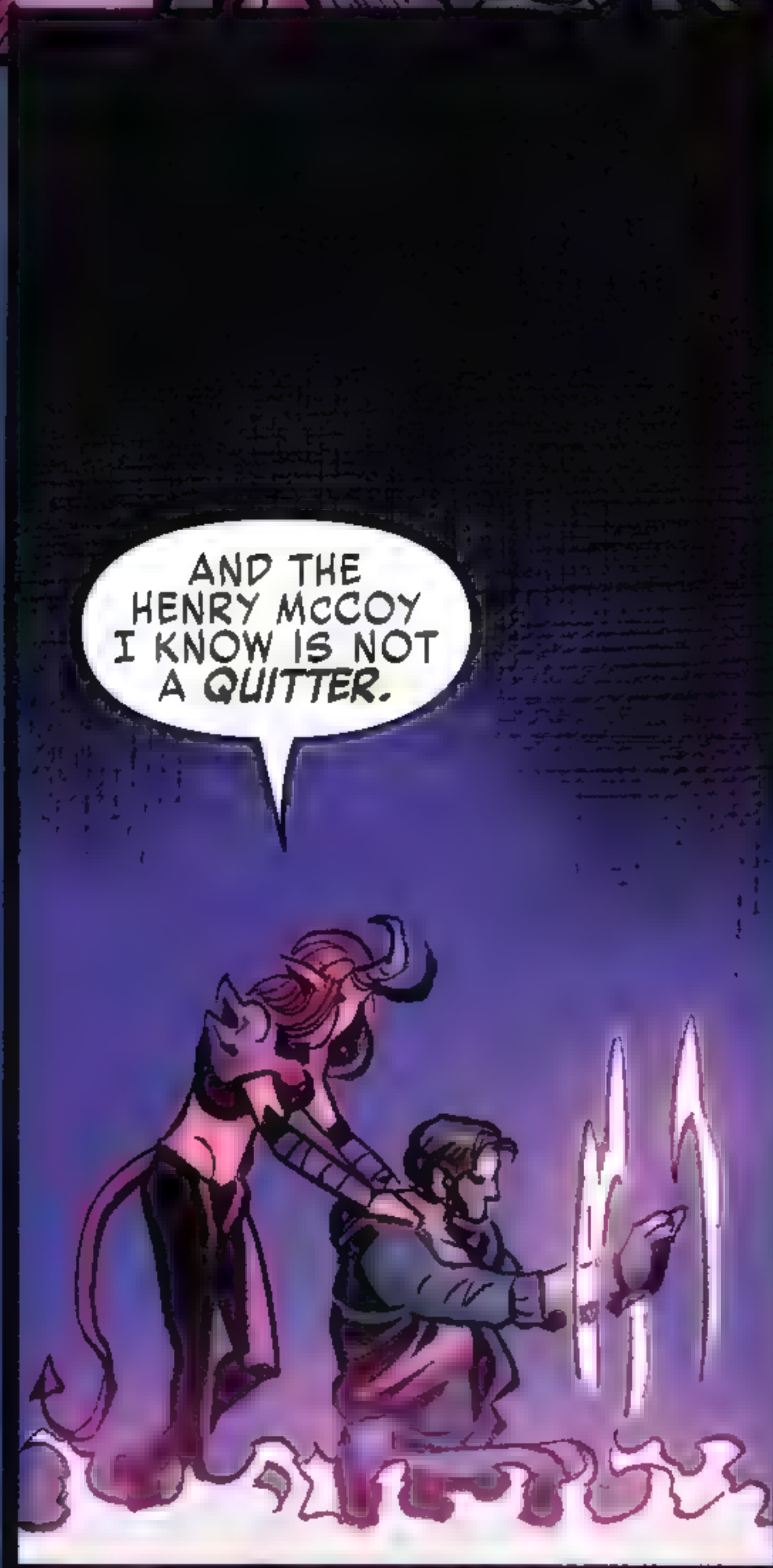
THESE FORCES... LIKE BOILING WATER SLIPPING THROUGH MY FINGERS.



IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE PAINLESS.

IT'S NOT MEANT TO BE EASY.

THIS IS A RITE OF PASSAGE.



AND THE HENRY MCCOY I KNOW IS NOT A QUITTER.



THERE'S A DOORWAY...

...MORE THAN ONE...

...OPENING BEFORE ME...

...OH, MY...



...STARS AND GARTERS...



WHAT IS--

SOME SORT OF ATTACK?

WE'RE X-MEN, LORNA.

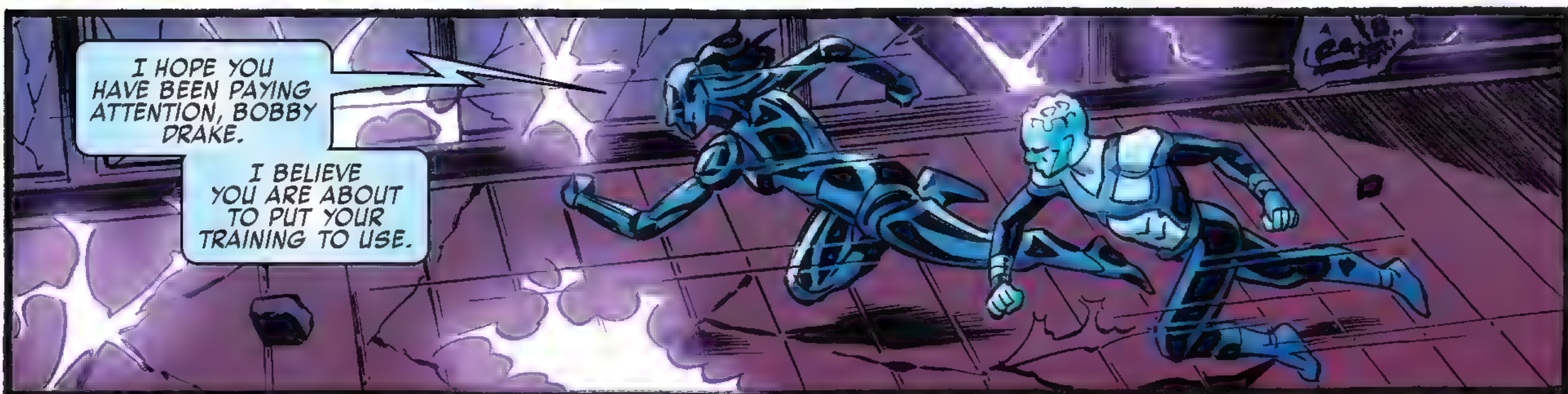
OF COURSE WE'RE UNDER ATTACK.



WOULD YOU JUST LOOK AT YOU!

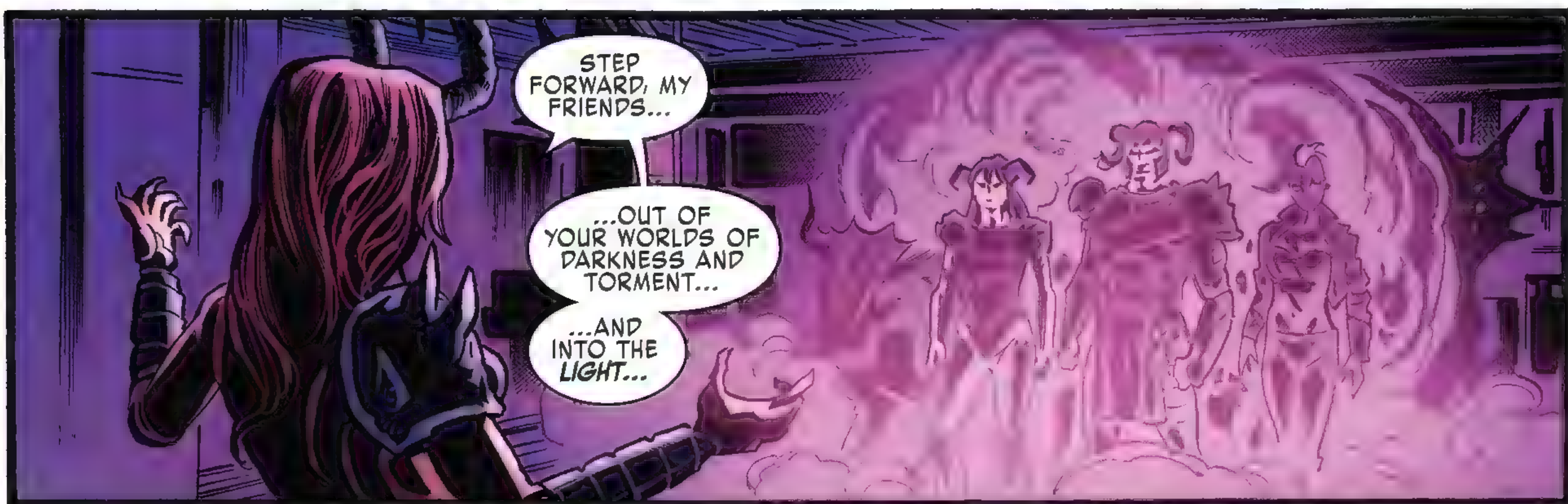
ALL OF YOU!

SO MUCH MORE MAJESTIC THAN I ANTICIPATED!



I HOPE YOU HAVE BEEN PAYING ATTENTION, BOBBY DRAKE.

I BELIEVE YOU ARE ABOUT TO PUT YOUR TRAINING TO USE.



STEP FORWARD, MY FRIENDS...

...OUT OF YOUR WORLDS OF DARKNESS AND TORMENT...

...AND INTO THE LIGHT...



"...WHERE WE CAN WREAK SOME REAL CHAOS!"

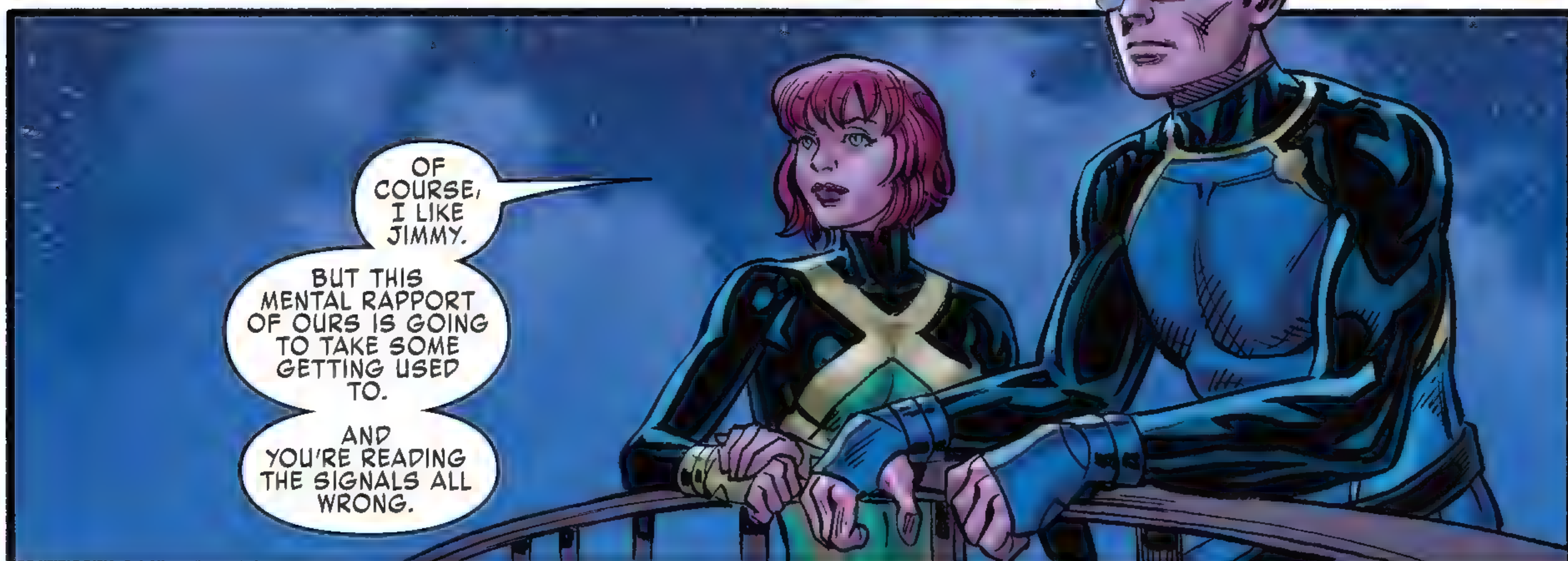
YOU KNOW, WHAT YOU'RE FEELING... BUT THE JEALOUSY IS FOR NOTHING.

COME ON, JEAN.

I'M NOT PROUD OF HOW I FEEL.

BUT DON'T TRY TO BELITTLE IT.

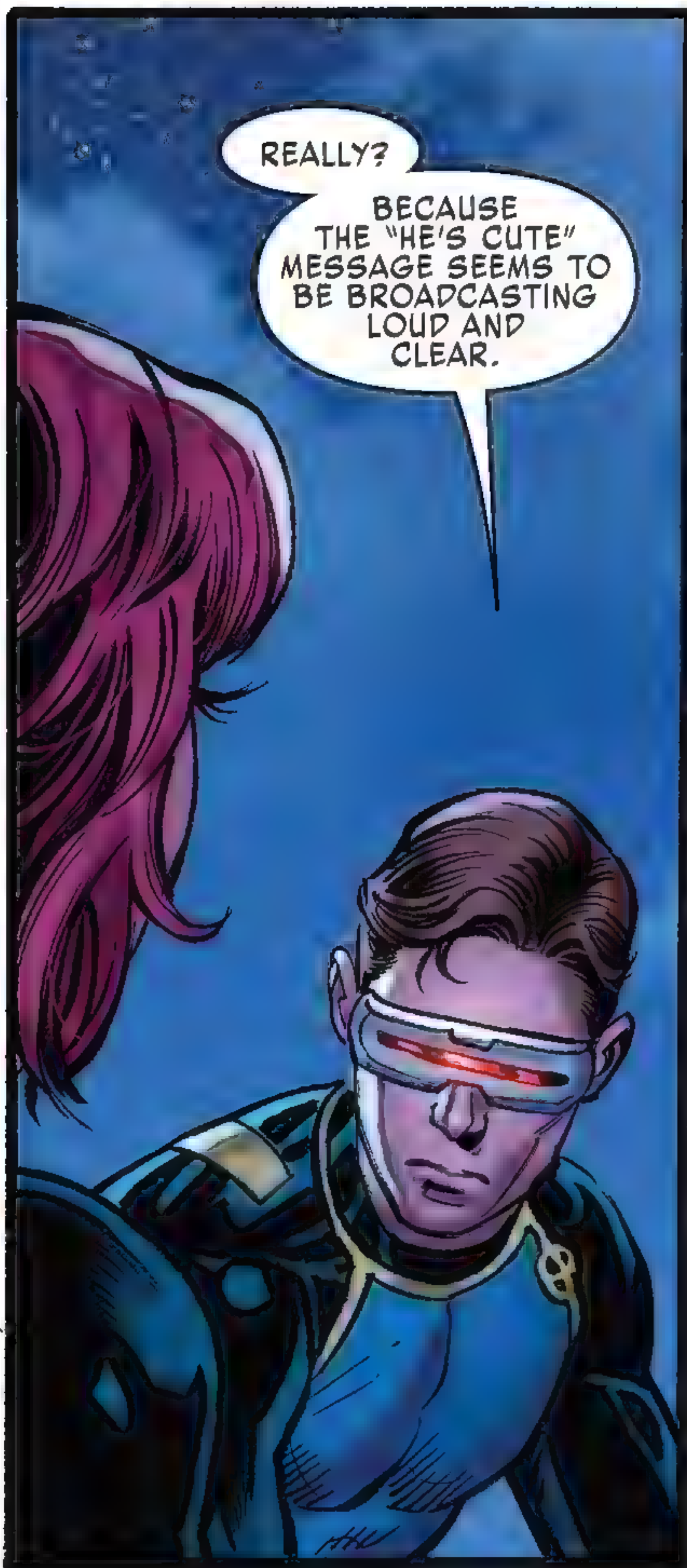
YOU LIKE HIM.



OF COURSE, I LIKE JIMMY.

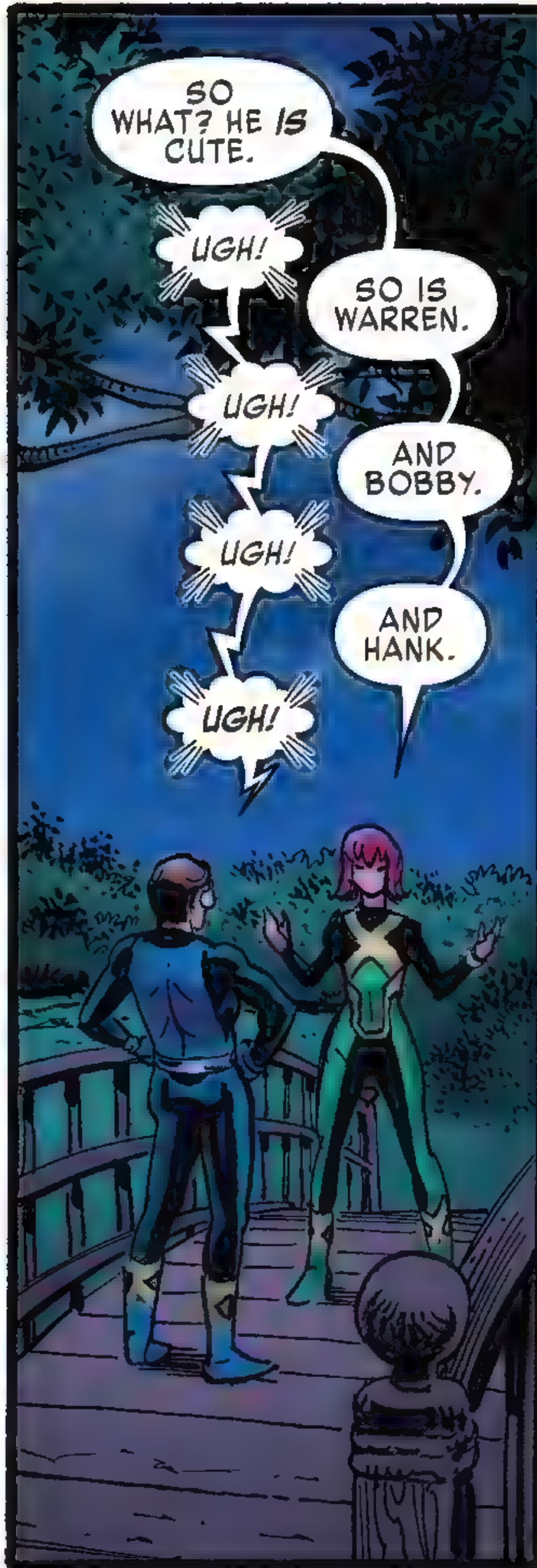
BUT THIS MENTAL RAPPORT OF OURS IS GOING TO TAKE SOME GETTING USED TO.

AND YOU'RE READING THE SIGNALS ALL WRONG.



REALLY?

BECAUSE THE "HE'S CUTE" MESSAGE SEEMS TO BE BROADCASTING LOUD AND CLEAR.



SO WHAT? HE IS CUTE.

UGH!

SO IS WARREN.

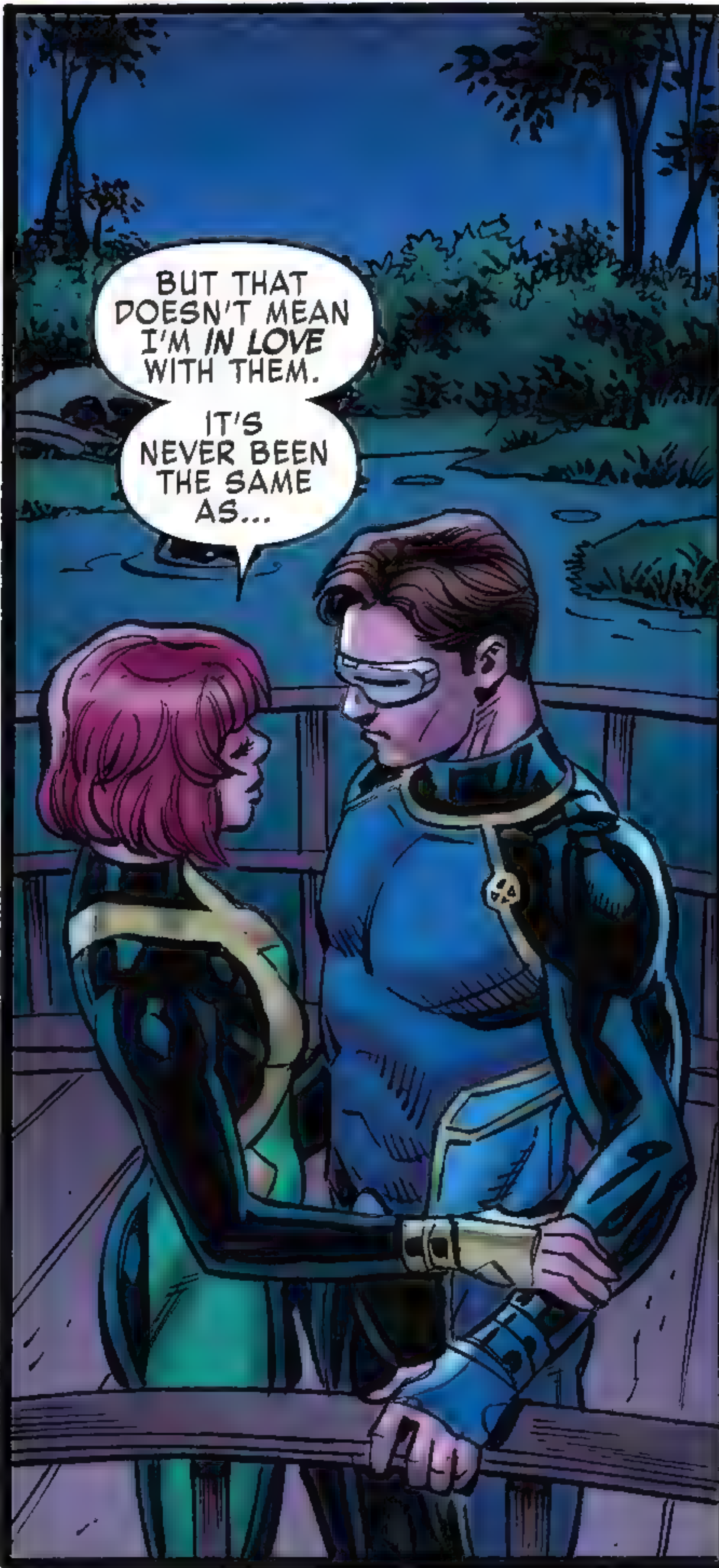
UGH!

AND BOBBY.

UGH!

AND HANK.

UGH!



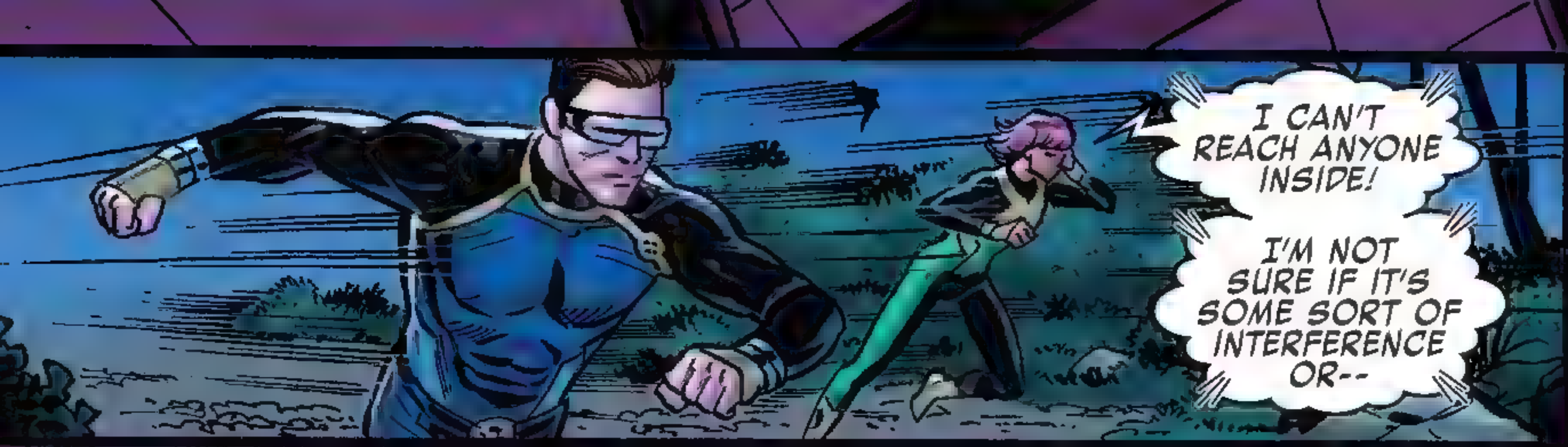
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'M IN LOVE WITH THEM.

IT'S NEVER BEEN THE SAME AS...



WE
REALLY HAVE
TERRIBLE
TIMING.

THE
WORST.



I CAN'T REACH ANYONE INSIDE!

I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S SOME SORT OF INTERFERENCE OR--



SCOTT-- DEMONS!

HSSSSSSSSSS



HANK DID THIS. HE WAS PLAYING WITH MAGIC AND HE DID THIS.

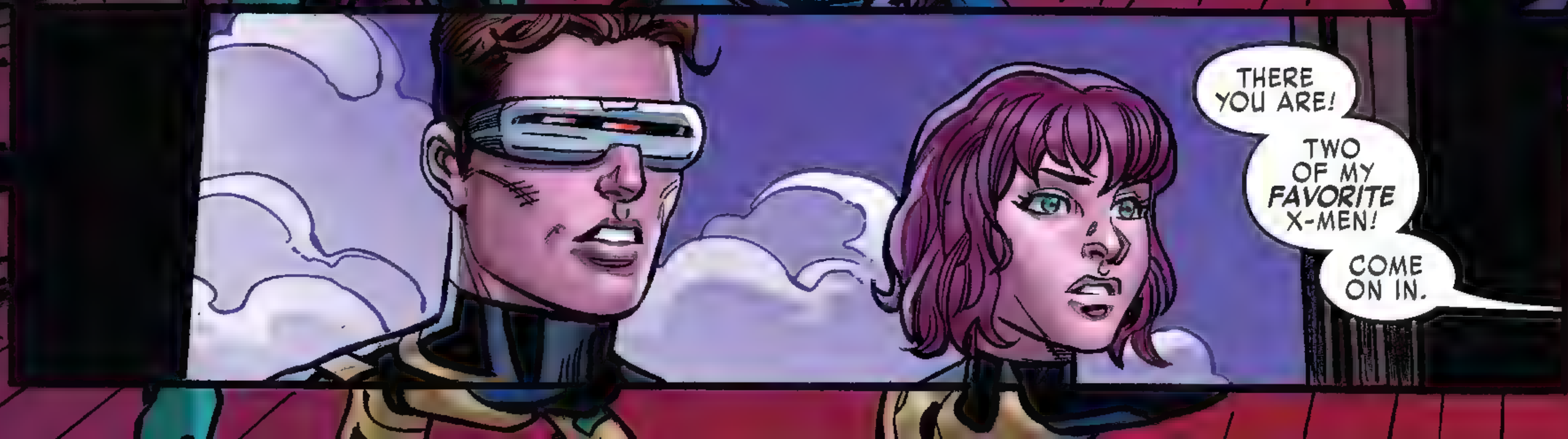
YOU KNOW THAT, RIGHT?



YOU KNOW WHAT I'M THINKING, SCOTT.

YOU ALREADY HAVE THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION.

ZAKOW!



THERE YOU ARE!

TWO OF MY FAVORITE X-MEN!

COME ON IN.



THE GANG'S ALL HERE.

PIXIE

COLOSSUS.

BLOODSTORM.

NIGHTCRAWLER.



I WAS FEELING A LITTLE LONELY.

A LITTLE GREEN-EYED BECAUSE HENRY HAD ALL HIS LITTLE TIME-LOST FRIENDS HERE TO KEEP HIM COMPANY.

SO, I HAD HENRY INVITE A FEW FRIENDS TO THE PARTY.



I CALL THEM THE HEX-MEN.
GET IT?



ARE THEY--

THEY'RE ALIVE.

BUT THESE... THINGS... TOOK THEM OUT LIKE THEY WERE NOTHING.

WHAT CHANCE DO WE HAVE?

WE'RE ABOUT TO FIND OUT.

SCOTT SUMMERS AND JEAN GREY.

YOU KNOW, I ALMOST CONSIDERED GIVING YOU THE CHANCE TO SURRENDER.

BUT THEN I REALIZED HOW VERY MUCH I LOATHE YOU BOTH.

GRRRRRRR.

H-HANK?

ARE YOU... IN THERE?

IS THAT STILL YOU?

JEAN--GET BEHIND--

CAREFUL, SCOTT! I CAN'T FIND ANY TRACE OF HANK IN HIS HEAD!

HE'S JUST--THE BEAST!

RAAAAHHRRR!

TO BE CONTINUED!

HOUSE OF X

At any given day while walking down the HALLS OF X, I can't help but be amazed at all the uncanny stories our characters have been through. The sheer amount of imagination that's fueled epic missions, shocking demises, unexpected returns, tragic romances, jaw-dropping betrayals and acts of inspiring, selfless heroism is enough to power a small sun. As a reader I could hardly wait for the next issue. I'd scour the pages over and over for any hint or sign as to what might be in store for our misfortunate and misunderstood mutant heroes. I loved it when a writer, artist or editor would drop a subtle clue and get my speculative juices flowing.

In the past week I've walked down the Halls of X with some extremely imaginative storytellers. A few days ago, Greg Pak and Fred Van Lente came in to plan a special arc in WEAPON X. The next day Charles Soule came in to map out some amazing twists and turns coming in ASTONISHING X-MEN. About 24 hours ago, I met with a writer (who must remain anonymous) about some huge plans we have for the end of the year.

And, dear reader, I can't help but want to tell you about these incredible plans! I can, after all, appreciate a good near spoiler. But, alas, since I've taken an oath of secrecy I can only do my second favorite thing to editing X-Men comics and that's... to give you clues as to what's coming up in X-Men comics! For some arbitrary reason, let's do five:

Red!

Switch!

Mother!

Negative!

Seáncé!

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By Marc Guggenheim and R.B. Silva. Kitty Pryde takes charge and leads a new team into a heroic age!
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Issue #11!

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